THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE GOPALA KRISHNA TAMADA

WRIT PETITION No.27743 of 1997

Dated: 24.10.2007

Between:

Appikonda Dhananjaya Rao
and others. .. Petitioners

and

The Chief General Manager,
TELECOM-Gunfoundry, Hyderabad
and others. .. Respondents

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ORDER:

The petitioners approached this Court and filed this writ petition for a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondents in not following the seniority of the persons registering for sanction of S.T.D. and P.C.O booths by the allotment Committee as illegal and arbitrary as the guidelines issued by the Department of Telecom, New Delhi, dated 20.05.1997, is only prospective, and consequently, direct the respondents to consider all the applications received in pursuance of the notification of the 2nd respondent published in Enadu Telugu Daily of East Godavari District Edition, dated 05.02.1997, for allotment of the said booths by the allotment Committee and to pass such suitable orders.

2. On perusing the material available on record and also on hearing the submissions put forth by the counsel, I find no necessity of going into the details of the case.

3. No doubt, in the year 1997, there was a huge demand for S.T.D. and P.C.O booths, as such, many persons were registering themselves for allotment of these booths. Now, as the scenario has changed with the advent of mobile phones, the allotment of S.T.D. and P.C.O booths lost his importance.

4. Subject to the above observation, without going into the merits of the case, the writ petition is dismissed.

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(GOPALA KRISHNA TAMADA,J)

Dt.24.10.2007
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